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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed June 6, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel claims 1-30.

Please add the following new claims:

31. (New) A process for manufacturing a packaging grade laminated mild steel strip, the process comprising the steps of

(a) cleaning the strip;

(b) chemically pre-treating the cleaned strip to form on one or each of its surfaces a single layer of a non-metallic chemical coating comprising an oxyanion on the surface of the cleaned strip to resist corrosion of the underlying mild steel substrate and to promote adhesion to a subsequently applied layer; and

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